

City of Fairfax
Parks and Recreation Advisory Board (PRAB)
October 8, 2015
City Hall – Work Session Room

PRAB Members Present

Jon Stehle	Janet Jaworski
Jane Albro	Brian Knapp
Michael Anderson	Robert Reinsel
Michael Breslin	Zinta Rodgers-Rickert
Jeff Ferrell	Michael Slawski
Evie Ifantides	Harry Wilbur
	Staff: Cathy Salgado

Members Absent

Kirk Holley
Eric Mittnight

Guests

Louise Armitage, Human Services Director

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 7:03 pm by Chairman Jon Stehle.

2/3. Adoption of Agenda & Minutes

Motion made and seconded. Agenda for October 8, 2015 and minutes from September 10, 2015 meeting were approved with noted changes of corrected time and date. Cathy to add DRAFT to minutes when sending out for review.

The agenda and minutes were approved.

4. Presentation

Louise Armitage presented ADA background and information. Louise is the compliance officer for the City. Self-audit is being conducted by all departments to include both facilities and programs, to include an inclusion policy. Checklist being used is provided by the Department of Justice (DOJ) on their website.

5. Old Business

a) Park Rules & Bylaws

Bylaws were approved by Council on September 29th. Park Rules are slated for Public Hearing and Adoption on October 13th.

b) Green Acres Feasibility Study

Mr. Stehle reported that the Green Acres Feasibility Study Committee had two public meetings on October 7th @ 7 p.m. @ Green Acres and October 8th @ 1p.m. @ Sherwood. Both were well attended. The timeline for the report to Council is still not set and it looks like it will be off-cycle with the budget process. Cathy stated that a webpage was being created to keep the public informed. Mr. Stehle shared the “locations map”. Mr.

Mr. Wilbur recommends that Paul VI be visit by the committee. PRAB members expressed strong opposition to any park being used for a future school site. After further discussion, Mr. Stehle suggested adding the discussion of where a community center may be located on the November agenda as part of the next Green Acres Feasibility Study update.

c) OurParksOurFuture.com

Mr. Breslin will be at the Fall Festival to collect information. He will have results in November.

6. New Business

a) Annual Work Plan

Mr. Stehle presented updated information on plan format. Recommended and approved to take ADA assessment off the accomplishments list.

b) CIP Funding

Cathy shared the PR CIP DRAFT which is due on October 23rd. Cathy addressed the procedures and timing she and her staff were following for developing an ADA study for the Parks and Recreation Department. PRAB members expressed disappointment that there was not adequate time to provide input and advice on the 2016/17 CIP. After discussions, comments will be collected via email and Mr. Stehle will coordinate updates with Cathy in order to meet the October 23rd deadline.

c) NOVA Parks

Mr. Knapp briefed PRAB on the proposed partnership between the City and NOVA Parks for a regional park located on Rt. 50 and Pickett Road. NOVA Parks presented the project to Council at the October 6th work session to favorable reviews.

d) Trails

Mr. Knapp provided pictures of the new trail signs in Daniels Run Park which are a great improvement.

7. Parks and Recreation Department Reports

a) Proffer Formula Discussion

Still under discussion with Planning and Community Development

b) Cell Phone Tower Update

Milestone rescinded their request due to a HUD covenant on the property.

c) Proposal for Recognition of Armistace Turtora – Van Dyck “Bowl”

A motion was made by Mr. Knapp, seconded by Mr. Wilbur to name the bowl at Van Dyck in honor of Ms. Turtora. This motion was approved unanimously. Cathy will schedule this with Council for final approval.

d) Updated Weather Cancellation Policy

Cathy explained new weather cancellation policy going into effect this winter – no longer following FCPS policy.

8. Stakeholder Updates

a) School Board – Robert Reinsel

School Board approved new proffer formula. Also noted that schools require minimum of 10 acres for new school site, however that is to 1950's standards, so they are not ruling any options out.

b) Planning Commission – Janet Jaworski

Reviewing of the zoning rewrite continues. Public meeting on October 22nd at Daniels Run ES.

c) Senior Center – Jane Albro

Making improvements within the center – general organizing and cleaning.

d) Community Appearance Committee – Kirk Holley

No report

e) Commission on the Arts – Harry Wilbur

Commission on the Arts Chair Jeff Seffens will attend November PRAB meeting.

f) NOVA Parks – Brian Knapp

Temple Hall Corn Maze is open. NOVA Parks is going out to bond, first time ever, for Occoquan Park and new water feature at Cameron Run.

9. Matters of the Members

None

10. Meeting adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

Next regular PRAB meeting is November 12, 2015 @ 7 p.m.

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